Intercity Development Association fonds

1959-1972 8 cm of textual records

Administrative history

The Intercity Development Association was an association of Fort William and Port Arthur businessmen with a special interest in the so called "Intercity" area, the region along the border between the two cities. The Association began informally in 1948 and created a formal organization in 1953-1954. Its aim was to promote business, services and development in the Intercity region and to this end it took interest in promoting the amalgamation of the two cities. In the late 1950s and 1960s the IDA campaigned strenuously to achieve this end. The organization folded in 1972 after amalgamation had been achieved. See Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society, *Papers & Records*, IX (1981), 22-30. The association was operated through a Board of Directors and acted primarily as a "watch dog", ratepayers association.

Scope and Content

The Intercity Development Association Records is a collection of minutes, surveys and reports regarding the development of the intercity area and promotion of business, services and the amalgamation of the two cities. All are originals and in chronological order.

Series E 12/1/1-5. - Minutes. - 5 cm. - 1959-1972

Minutes of general meetings in bound volumes.

- 1) 19 Nov. 1959 to 28 Apr. 1960.
- 2) 30 June 1960 to 2 Nov. 1961.
- 3) 5 Nov. 1962 to 1 Dec. 1965.
- 4) 13 Jan. 1966 to 18 June 1970.
- 5) 10 Nov. 1970 to 15 June 1972.

Series E 12/2/1-3. - Surveys and reports. - 3 cm. - 1959-1961

- 1) Report on a preliminary survey conducted in December 1959 by Stevenson and Kellogg Limited, at the request of the IDA into the desirability, nature and scope of any study of local municipal government at the Lakehead. 6 p bound. The report identifies serious future problems for the Lakehead communities.
- 2) Brief of an Administrative Survey conducted in 1959-1960 by Mr. David J. Cheadle at the request of the IDA, recommending that the communities on Thunder Bay explore some form of political union. Two bound copies, 5 p each.
- 3) Correspondence regarding briefs and questionnaires commissioned by the IDA, 1959-1961, to solicit opinions regarding a study on reorganizing local government. Includes the brief prepared by David Cheadle and given to politicians and the press on 28 Jan. 1960.

Notes

Formerly catalogued into the museum collection, 982.81.1-8.